REMARKS

Claims 16-45 remain pending in the application. Claims 1-15 have been cancelled; Claims 16-18 have been amended; and Claims 20-45 are new. Basis for the amendments and new claims can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection(s) in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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